

# South Africa's Growth Champions 2026

## INTRODUCTION

For the third time, News24 and Statista are looking for the fastest growing companies in South Africa – South Africa's Growth Champions 2026. **The companies with the strongest revenue growth between the years 2021 and 2024** will be featured in a News24 special report and on news24.com in April 2026. Innovative and fast-growing companies are the driving force of the international economy in the 21st century. They generate jobs and sustain market competitiveness. Exploring and making these exceptional performances publicly visible is the aim of South Africa's Growth Champions 2026 ranking.

Potential candidates will be contacted by Statista and may also register for inclusion in the ranking by 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2025.

Further information pertaining to South Africa's Growth Champions 2026 methodology, terms of participation and contact information can be found on our dedicated website at [statista.com/page/growth-champions-south-africa](https://www.statista.com/page/growth-champions-south-africa).

### Please note

To complete the survey, you will need the following information:

- Revenue 2021 and revenue 2024
- No. of employees in 2021 and 2024
- Founding year
- Recent acquisitions

You may consider collecting this information prior to starting the survey.

# ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

We will start with some basic questions to make sure that your company meets the criteria to be included in the South Africa's Growth Champions 2026 project.

## I. In 2021, your company generated revenue of at least US\$100,000.<sup>1</sup>

Yes  No

## II. In 2024 your company generated revenue of at least US\$1.5 million.<sup>1</sup>

Yes  No

## III. The candidate company is 50% or more owned by another company ("parent" company).<sup>2</sup>

Yes  No

IIIa. What is the name of the "parent" company?

Parent company legal name

IIIb. The candidate company is 50% or more owned by an investment fund or a private equity

Yes  No

IIIc. The "parent" company has only administrative functions and does not generate significant revenue

Yes  No

## IV. Is the company headquartered in South Africa?

Yes  No

## Supplementary question: Is your company listed on an African stock exchange?

Yes  No

If yes, on which African stock exchange is your company listed?

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<sup>1</sup> Non-US dollars countries: average currency value equivalent over the course of the relevant fiscal year

<sup>2</sup> See Note on Independence

## INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR COMPANY

Please state the complete **legal name, the brand, and the VAT identification number** of your company as well as the industry in which it predominantly operates.

**Company legal name** .....

Please state the name of your company **brand** or the name you would like to appear in the list.

**Company brand name** .....

Please state the unique **Tax ID number** of the company<sup>4</sup>.

**Tax Id number** .....

# INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR COMPANY

Industry:

- Advertising & Marketing
- Aerospace & Defence
- Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing
- Apparel & Fashion
- Automotive
- Chemicals
- Construction & Engineering
- E-commerce
- Education & Social Services
- Electrical Manufacturing
- Employment Services
- Energy & Utilities
- Fintech, Financial Services & Insurance
- Food & Beverages
- Health Care & Life Sciences
- Hospitality & Travel
- IT & Software
- Legal & Accounting Services
- Leisure & Entertainment
- Logistics & Transportation
- Management consulting
- Manufacturing
- Mechanical & Plant Engineering
- Media & Telecommunications
- Metals & Mining
- Pharmaceuticals & Cosmetics
- Professional, Scientific & Technical Services
- Public Sector & Infrastructure
- Real estate
- Retail
- Waste Management & recycling
- Wholesale

Other: .....

# INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR COMPANY

Please state your company address details below.

*Please note: In case your company has multiple locations, provide the details of your headquarters.*

**Street** .....

**City** .....

**Postcode** .....

**Country** .....

**Website** .....

Please enter the founding month and year of your company:

**Month founded** ..... **Year founded** .....

Please describe the business activity of your company in two short sentences (e.g. unique or distinctive features, leading in a certain area, specialisations, etc.):

# INFORMATION ON REVENUE

Please indicate the annual net revenue of your company for the legal years 2021 and 2024.

*Please note: Only indicate your net revenue adjusted for returns, excluding value-added tax and solely from business activities (excluding any other operating income) as disclosed in your company report.*

Revenue in 2021

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Revenue in 2022

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Revenue in 2023

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Revenue in 2024

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Currency

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## I. Was the revenue of 2021 confirmed by an auditor?

Yes       No

a. Which company audited your revenue of 2021?

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b. Are your 2021 revenues data publicly available? If yes, please provide the link to the source:

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## II. Was the revenue of 2024 confirmed by an auditor?

Yes       No

a. Which company audited your revenue of 2024?

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b. Are your 2024 revenues data publicly available? If yes, please provide the link to the source:

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# INFORMATION ON REVENUE

In case the fiscal year does not coincide with the legal year, please state the corresponding period. Please choose the fiscal years that fall **predominantly** in the calendar years 2021 and 2024.

*Examples of correct fiscal year combinations::*

*a | 2021: 01/10/2020 - 30/09/2021 and 2024: 01/10/2023 - 30/09/2024*

*b | 2021: 01/03/2021 - 28/02/2022 and 2024: 01/03/2024 - 28/02/2025*

**Fiscal year 2021**

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**Fiscal year 2024**

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Is the revenue growth in the period considered **primarily organic** (i.e. "internally" stimulated) or inorganic (e.g. acquisition or merger with other companies, sale or rent of real estate assets, interest produced by investments)?

Organic growth

Inorganic growth

If **inorganic**, please describe in a few sentences:

# STAFF INFORMATION AND CONTACT DETAIL

How many **full time employees** in total did you employ at your company?

In case you had no employees in 2021, 2024 or 2025 please state the number of people working for the company, whether employees or not, comprehensive of the management and owners/ founders.

**Number of employees as at end of 2021** .....

**Number of employees as at end of 2024** .....

**Number of employees today (2025)** .....

Please name a **contact person** in your company in case more information is needed:

**Title** .....

**First name** .....

**Surname** .....

**Function** .....

**Email** .....

**Phone No.** .....

# CONCLUSION

How did you find out about South Africa's Growth Champions 2026 ranking?

- Invitation Email from Statista
  - Invitation letter from Statista
  - Newsletter of News24
  - Article on news24.com
  - Article on News24
  - Social media
  - Other newspaper articles
  - Other
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Feel free to make use of the space below for any message or additional information concerning data that you would like to provide us with.

## VERIFICATION FORM

All data you provided pertaining to the revenue of your company serves as basis for the calculation of your individual growth rate and thereby the creation of South Africa's Growth Champions 2026 ranking.

We want to ensure that only valid figures will be incorporated into our calculations. Therefore, we would like to ask you to verify your company's data. Without this verification we cannot include you in our list, irrespective of your indicated growth rate.

Please print out the form to verify your revenue figures. The form is available at [this link](#).

**Please note:** The form has to be signed in person by the **Managing Director/CEO** or **Director of Finance/CFO** or a member of your **Executive Committee**.

Please scan the completed form and send it to Ms. Xueling Sun, [growth-southafrica@statista.com](mailto:growth-southafrica@statista.com).